shall be 0.138 times the current month's butter price less 0.0028 times the preceding month's average pay price per hundredweight, at test, for manufacturing grade milk in Minnesota and Wisconsin, using the "base month" series, adjusted pursuant to §1138.51 (a) through (e), as reported by the Department. The butter price means the simple average for the month of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, Grade A butter price as reported by the Department.

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## §1138.75 Plant location adjustments for producers and on nonpool milk.

(a) In making payments required pursuant to §1138.73, the uniform price computed pursuant to §1138.61 shall be adjusted by the amounts set forth in §1138.53 according to the location of the plant where the milk being priced was received.

(b) For the purpose of computations pursuant to §§1138.71 and 1138.72, the uniform price shall be adjusted by the amount set forth in §1138.53 that is applicable at the location of the non-pool plant from which the milk was received.

# §1138.76 Payments by a handler operating a partially regulated distributing plant.

Each handler who operates a partially regulated distributing plant shall pay on or before the 25th day after the end of the month to the market administrator for the producer-settlement fund the amount computed pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section. If the handler submits pursuant to §1138.30(b) and §1138.31(b) the information necessary for making the computations, such handler may elect to pay in lieu of such payment the amount computed pursuant to paragraph (b) of this section:

- (a) The payment under this paragraph shall be the amount resulting from the following computations:
- (1) Determine the pounds of route disposition in the marketing area from the partially regulated distributing plant;
- (2) Subtract the pounds of fluid milk products received at the partially regulated distributing plant:

- (i) As Class I milk from pool plants and other order plants, except that subtracted under a similar provision of another Federal milk order; and
- (ii) From another nonpool plant that is not an other order plant to the extent that an equivalent amount of fluid milk products disposed of to such nonpool plant by handlers fully regulated under any Federal milk order is classified and priced as Class I milk and is not used as an offset for any other payment obligation under any order:
- (3) Subtract the pounds of reconstituted milk that are made from nonfluid milk products and which are then disposed of as route disposition in the marketing area from the partially regulated distributing plant;

(4) Multiply the remaining pounds by the difference between the Class I price and the uniform price, both prices to be applicable at the location of the partially regulated distributing plant; and

(5) Add the amount obtained from multiplying the pounds of labeled reconstituted milk included in paragraph (a)(3) of this section by the difference between the Class I price applicable at the location of the partially regulated distributing plant less \$1.00 (but not to be less than the Class III price) and the Class III price. For any reconstituted milk that is not so labeled, the Class I price shall not be reduced by \$1.00. Alternatively, for such disposition, payments may be made to the producersettlement fund of the order regulating the producer milk used to produce the nonfluid milk ingredients at the difference between the Class I price applicable under the other order at the location of the plant where the nonfluid milk ingredients were processed (but not to be less than the Class III price) and the Class III price. This payment option shall apply only if a majority of the total milk received at the plant that processed the nonfluid milk ingredients is regulated under one or more Federal orders and payment may only be made to the producer-settlement fund of the order pricing a plurality of the milk used to produce the nonfluid milk ingredients. This payment option shall not apply if the source of the

nonfluid ingredients used in reconstituted fluid milk products cannot be determined by the market administrator.

- (b) The payment under this paragraph shall be the amount resulting from the following computations:
- (1) Determine the value that would have been computed pursuant to §1138.60 for the partially regulated distributing plant if the plant had been a pool plant, subject to the following modifications:
- (i) Fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products received at the partially regulated distributing plant from a pool plant or an other order plant shall be allocated at the partially regulated distributing plant to the same class in which such products were classified at the fully regulated plant;
- (ii) Fluid milk products and bulk fluid cream products transferred from the partially regulated distributing plant to a pool plant or an other order plant shall be classified at the partially regulated distributing plant in the class to which allocated at the fully regulated plant. Such transfers shall be allocated to the extent possible to those receipts at the partially regulated distributing plant from pool plants and other order plants that are classified in the corresponding class pursuant to paragraph  $(\hat{b})(1)(i)$  of this section. Any such transfers remaining after the above allocation which are classified in Class I and for which a value is computed for the handler operating the partially regulated distributing plant pursuant to §1138.60 shall be priced at the uniform price (or at the weighted average price if such is provided) of the respective order regulating the handling of milk at the transferee-plant, with such uniform price adjusted to the location of the nonpool plant (but not to be less than the lowest class price of the respective order), except that transfers of reconstituted skim milk in filled milk shall be priced at the lowest class price of the respective order; and
- (iii) If the operator of the partially regulated distributing plant so requests, the value of milk determined pursuant to §1138.60 for such handler shall include, in lieu of the value of other source milk specified in §1138.60(f) less the value of such other

source milk specified in §1138.71(a)(2)(ii), a value of milk determined pursuant to §1138.60 for each nonpool plant that is not an other order plant which serves as a supply plant for such partially regulated distributing plant by making shipments to the partially regulated distributing plant during the month equivalent to the requirements of §1138.7(b) subject to the following conditions:

(A) The operator of the partially regulated distributing plant submits with its reports filed pursuant to §§1138.30(b) and 1138.31(b) similar reports for each

such nonpool supply plant;

(B) The operator of such nonpool supply plant maintains books and records showing the utilization of all skim milk and butterfat received at such plant which are made available if requested by the market administrator for verification purposes; and

(C) The value of milk determined pursuant to §1138.60 for such nonpool supply plant shall be determined in the same manner prescribed for computing the obligation of such partially regu-

lated distributing plant; and

(2) From the partially regulated distributing plant's value of milk computed pursuant to paragraph (b)(1) of this section, subtract:

- (i) The gross payments by the operator of such partially regulated distributing plant, adjusted to a 3.5 percent butterfat basis by the butterfat differential specified in §1138.74, for milk received at the plant during the month that would have been producer milk if the plant had been fully regulated.
- (ii) If paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this section applies, the gross payments by the operator of such nonpool supply plant, adjusted to a 3.5 percent butterfat basis by the butterfat differential specified in §1138.74, for milk received at the plant during the month that would have been producer milk if the plant had been fully regulated; and

(iii) The payments by the operator of the partially regulated distributing plant to the producer-settlement fund of another order under which such plant is also a partially regulated distributing plant and like payments by the operator of the nonpool supply plant if paragraph (b)(1)(iii) of this sec-

tion applies.

(c) Any handler may elect partially regulated distributing plant status for any plant with respect to receipts of nonfluid milk ingredients assigned to Class I use under §1138.43(d). Payments may be made to the producer-settlement fund of the order regulating the producer milk used to produce the nonfluid milk ingredients at the difference between the Class I price applicable under the other order at the location of the plant where the nonfluid milk ingredients were processed (but not to be less than the Class III price) and the Class III price. This payment option shall apply only if a majority of the total milk received at the plant that processed the nonfluid milk ingredients is regulated under one or more Federal orders and payment may only be made to the producer-settlement fund of the order pricing a plurality of the milk used to produce the nonfluid milk ingredients. This payment option shall not apply if the source of the nonfluid ingredients used in reconstituted fluid milk products cannot be determined by the market administrator.

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#### §1138.77 Adjustment of accounts.

Whenever audit by the market administrator of any handler's reports, books, records, or accounts discloses adjustments to be made, for any reason, which results in monies due the market administrator from such handler, the market administrator shall promptly notify such handler of any such amount due, and payment thereof shall be made on or before the next date for making payment set forth in the provision under which the error occurred. Any monies found to be due a handler from the market administrator shall be paid promptly to such handler, except that the market administrator shall offset any monies due a handler against monies due from such handler. Whenever verification by the market administrator of the payment by a handler to any producer or cooperative association for milk received by such handler discloses payment of less than is required pursuant to §1138.73, the handler shall pay such balance due such producer or cooperative association not later than the time of making payment to producers or cooperative associations next following such disclosure.

## §1138.78 Charges on overdue accounts.

Any unpaid obligation of a handler pursuant to §§1138.71, 1138.73, 1138.76, 1138.77, 1138.85, or 1138.86 shall be increased 1 percent beginning on the first day after the due date, and on the same day of each subsequent month until such obligation is paid, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The amounts payable pursuant to this section shall be computed monthly on each unpaid obligation, which shall include any unpaid charges previously computed pursuant to this section; and
- (b) For the purpose of this section, any obligation that was determined at a date later than prescribed by the order because of a handler's failure to submit a report to the market administrator when due shall be considered to have been payable by the date it would have been due if the report had been filed when due.
- (c) All monies collected pursuant to this section shall be paid to the administrative assessment fund maintained by the market administrator.

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## §1138.85 Assessment for order administration.

As each handler's pro rata share of the expense of administration of the order, each handler shall pay to the market administrator on or before the 15th day after the end of the month 5 cents per hundredweight or such lesser amount as the Secretary may prescribe with respect to:

- (a) Receipts of producer milk (including such handler's own production) other than such receipts by a handler described in §1138.9(c) that were delivered to pool plants of other handlers or held in inventory at the end of the month;
- (b) Receipts from a handler described in §1138.9(c);
- (c) Receipts of concentrated fluid milk products from unregulated supply plants and receipts of nonfluid milk